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Application No. 09/112,131

Attorney Docket No.: 96-002-C1

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPEAL NO.:** 2008-0779  
**Customer No.:** 22927  
**Appellants:** Jay S. Walker et al.  
**Application No.:** 09/112,131  
**Filed:** July 8, 1998  
**Title:** **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A CRYPTOGRAPHICALLY-  
ASSISTED COMMERCIAL NETWORK SYSTEM DESIGNED TO  
FACILITATE AND SUPPORT EXPERT-BASED COMMERCE**  
**Attorney Docket No.:** 96-002-C1  
**Group Art Unit:** 3661  
**Examiner:** NGUYEN, Cuong H.

Commissioner for Patents  
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**CONFIRMATION of ORAL HEARING  
REQUEST for TELEPHONIC HEARING**

Dear Sir:

Appellants confirm their attendance at the Oral Hearing scheduled for September 10, 2008 for this application (Appeal No. 2008-0079).

Appellants also respectfully request that the oral hearing be conducted by telephone.

If there are any questions about this confirmation or request, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date

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